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Sir:

This Amendment serves as the submission required by 37 CFR §1.114(c), accompanying the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), filed herewith. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 f this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14.